

Cold Nuclear Matter effects on Quarkonia production from PHENIX

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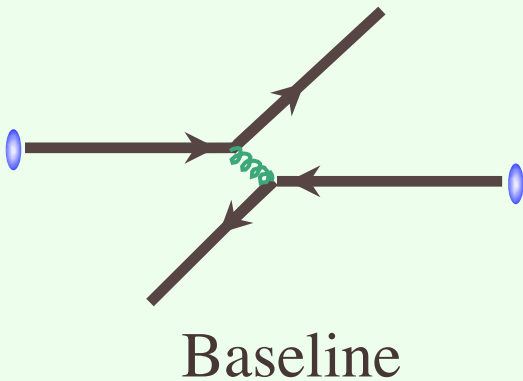
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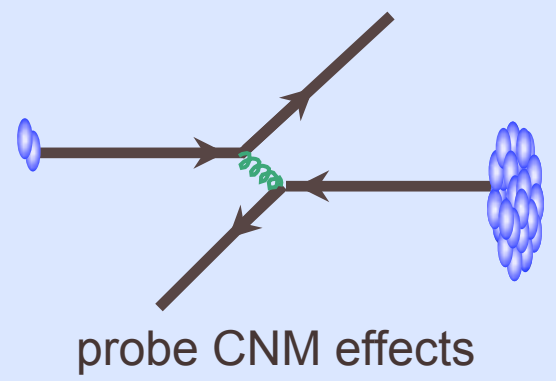
Why $p(d)+A$ collisions?

A very exciting time to talk about $p(d)+A$ collisions

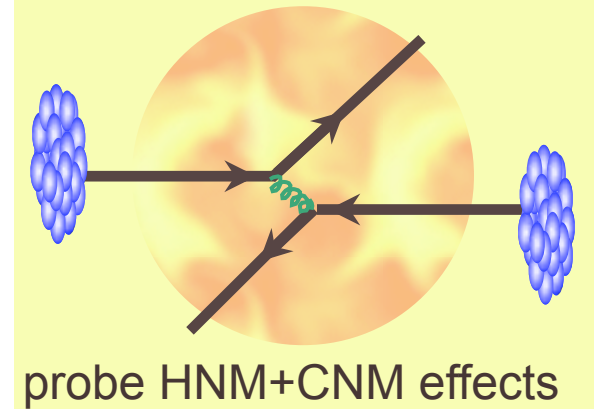
p+p measurements



d+A measurements

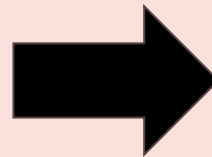


A+A measurements



QM 2012

**Not enough particles to
have collective behavior,
control experiment**



QM 2014

Are we sure?



Motivation

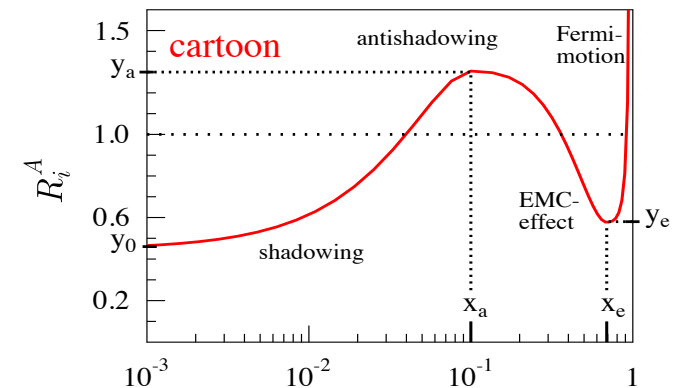
Understand cold nuclear matter effects in order to disentangle hot nuclear (QGP related) effects in A+A collisions.

Cold nuclear matter effects:

➤ Nuclear PDF: Gluon PDF in nucleus \neq nucleon PDF

- Varies with x, Q^2 .
- Nuclear PDFs available: EPS09, EPS09s, EKS98, nDSg and others.

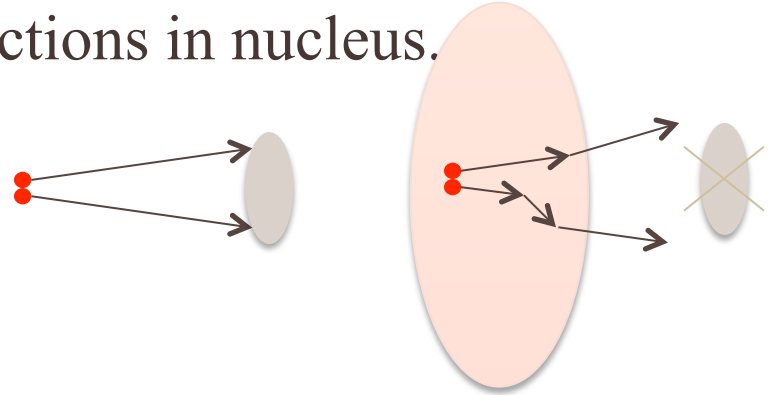
$$R_i^A(x, Q^2) = \frac{f_i^A(x, Q^2)}{A f_i^{\text{nucleon}}(x, Q^2)}, \quad f_i = q, \bar{q}, g,$$



- Cronin: Multiple scattering of the incoming parton on the nucleus.
- Energy loss: Medium induced gluon radiation modifies the initial state gluon kinematics.

Motivation (contd..)

- Nuclear absorption (Quarkonia specific): Due to size of q - q bar bound state, break up due to interactions in nucleus.
 - Depends on the nuclear crossing time at the kinematic domain.
- Possibly more..



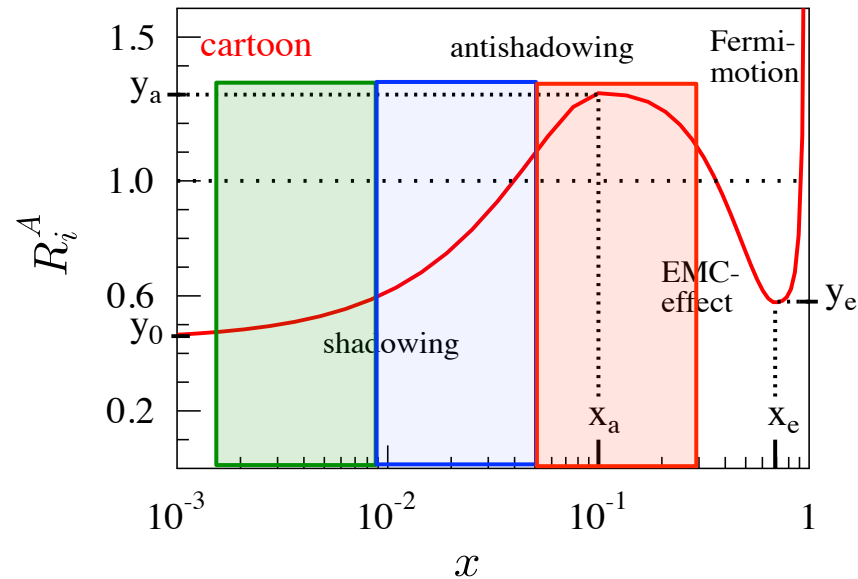
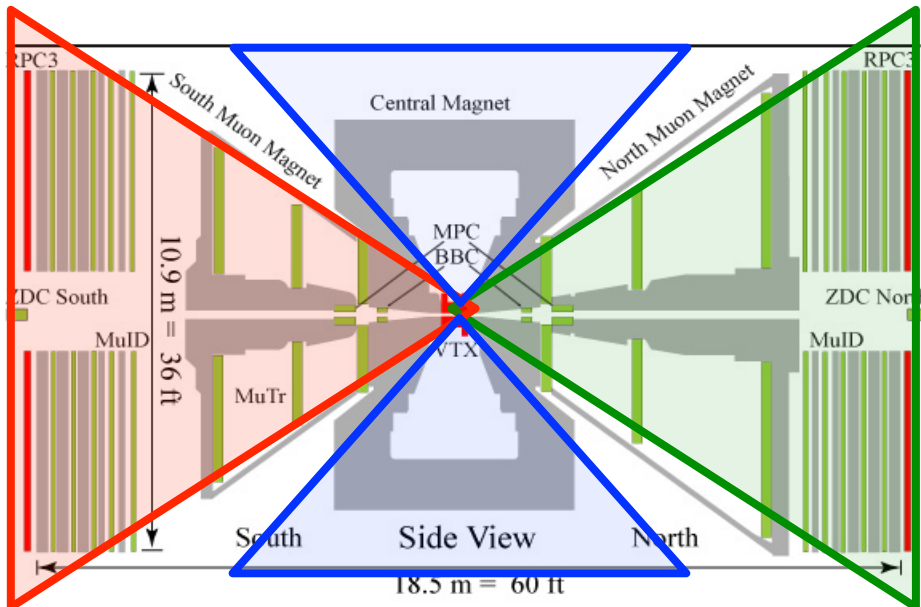
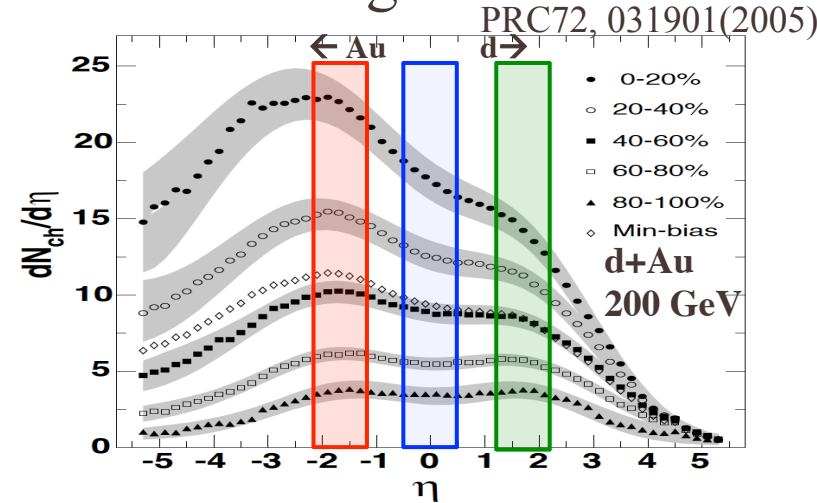
Note:

- Gluon shadowing affects the underlying heavy flavor yield.
- Absorption reduces the fraction of heavy quarks forming bound quarkonium.

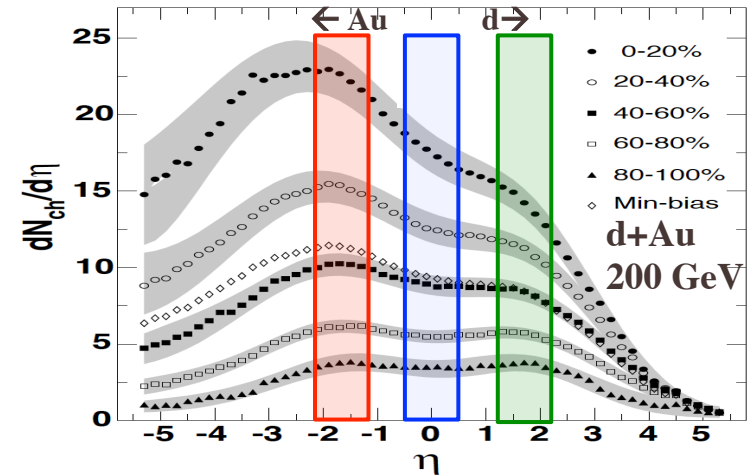
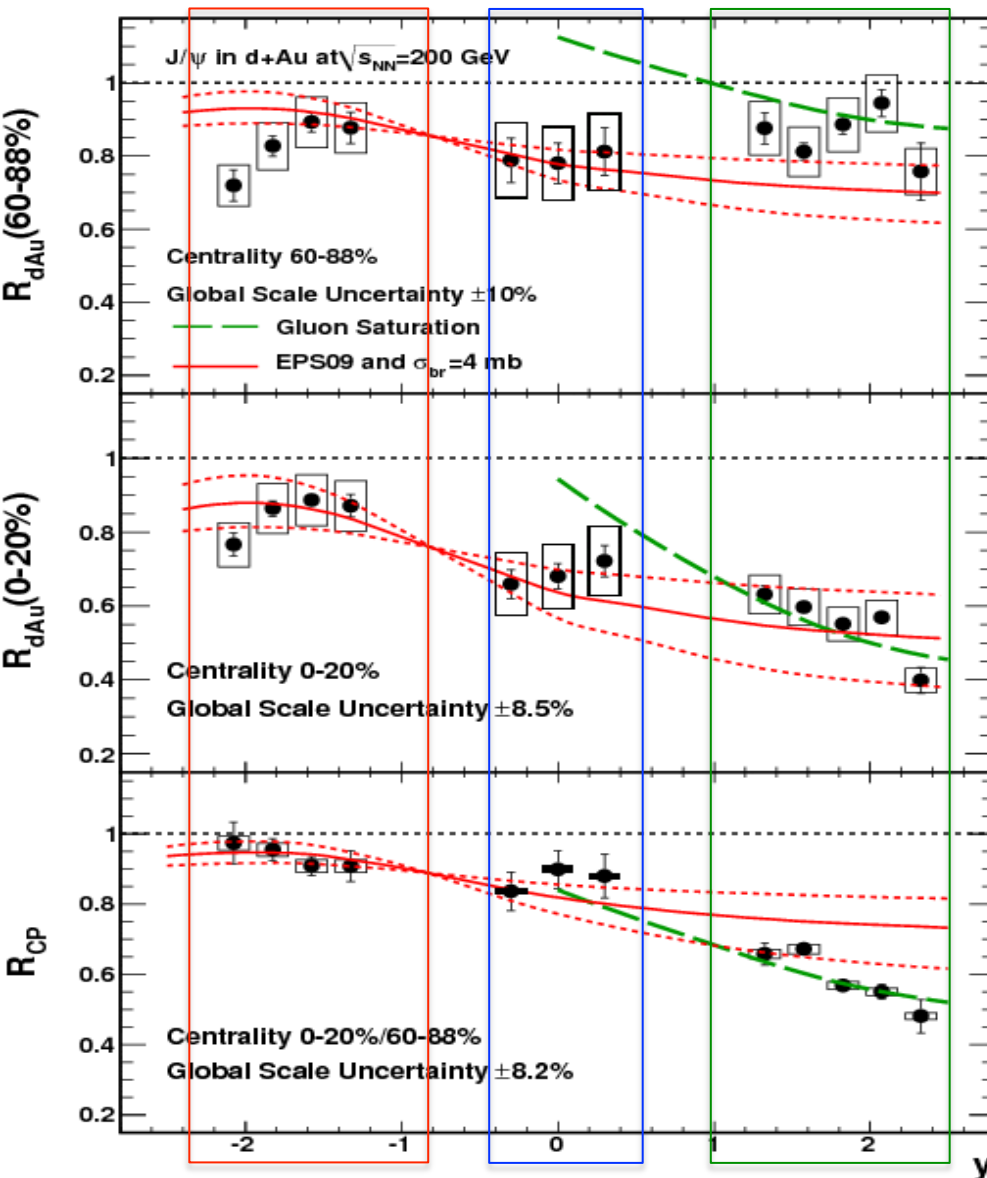
What can we do in PHENIX?

PHENIX

- ❖ PHENIX recorded d +Au collisions in 2003 and higher statistics in 2008.
- ❖ Quarkonia measured:
 - Central Arms: J/ψ , ψ' , Υ , χ_c
 - Muon Arms: J/ψ , ψ' , Υ
- ❖ Wide x coverage:



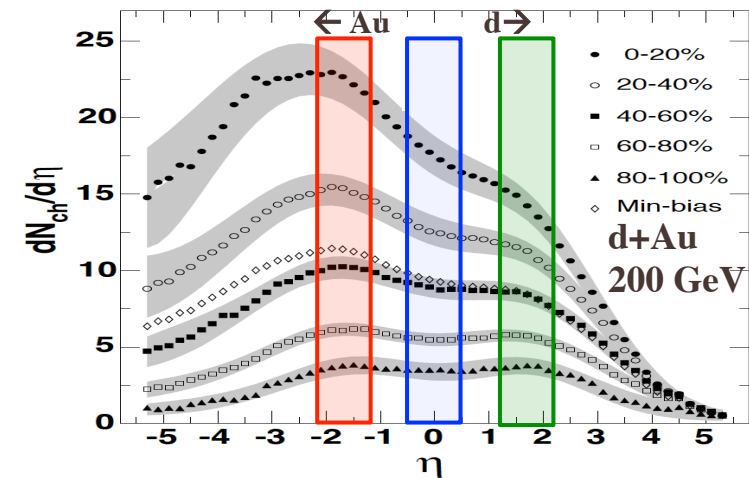
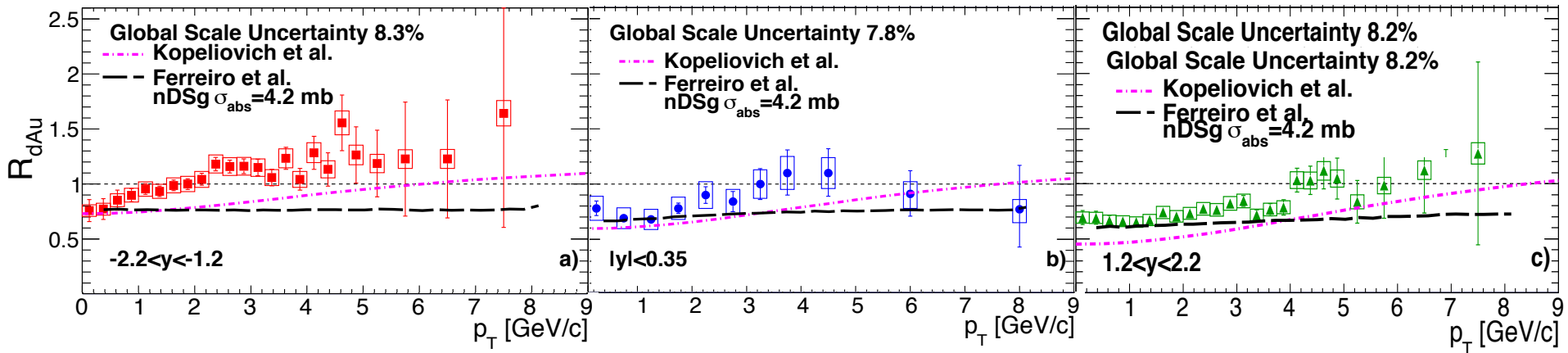
J/ψ suppression in $d+Au$



- (Solid Red curves) A reasonable agreement with EPS09 nPDF + $\sigma_{br} = 4$ mb for central collisions but not peripheral.
- (Dashed green line) CGC calculations. (Nucl. Phys. A 770(2006) 40)

Nuclear PDF is nuclear thickness dependent.

$J/\psi R_{dAu}$ vs. p_T (all centrality)



R_{dAu} rises out to $p_T \sim 5$ GeV/c at all rapidities.

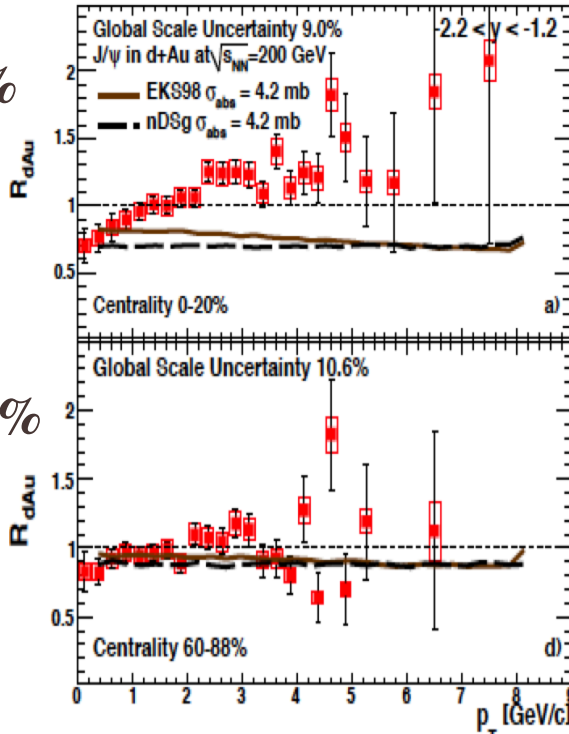
R_{dAu} trend is different at backward rapidity.

Calculations from Ferrerio et al. : Shadowing + σ_{br} model (no Cronin) does not match the qualitative trend. (arXiv1201.5574)

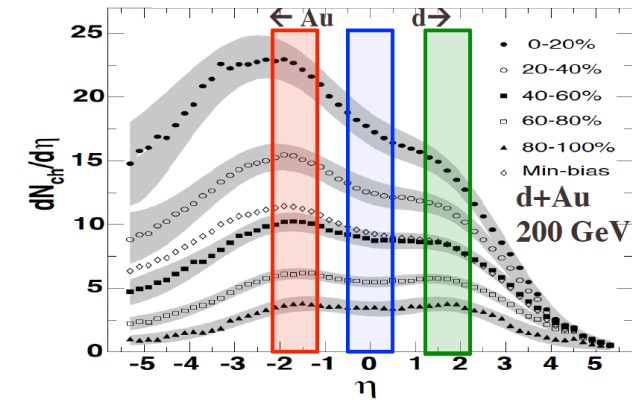
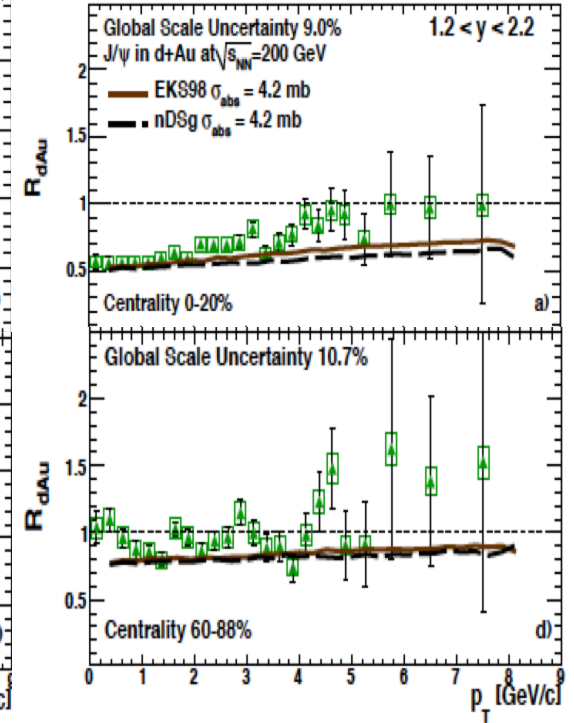
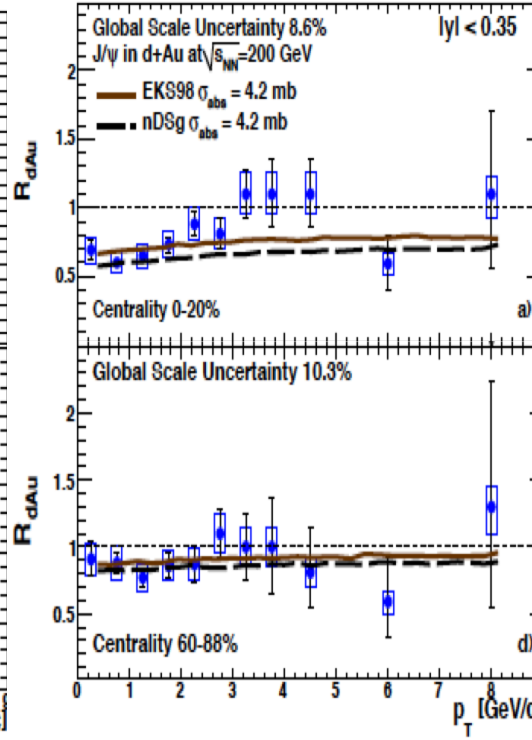
Model by Kopeliovich et al. includes Cronin and σ_{br} prediction, qualitatively matches the p_T shape. (Nucl. Phys. A 864, 203 (2011))

$J/\psi R_{dAu}$ vs p_T (centrality bins)

0-20%



60-88%



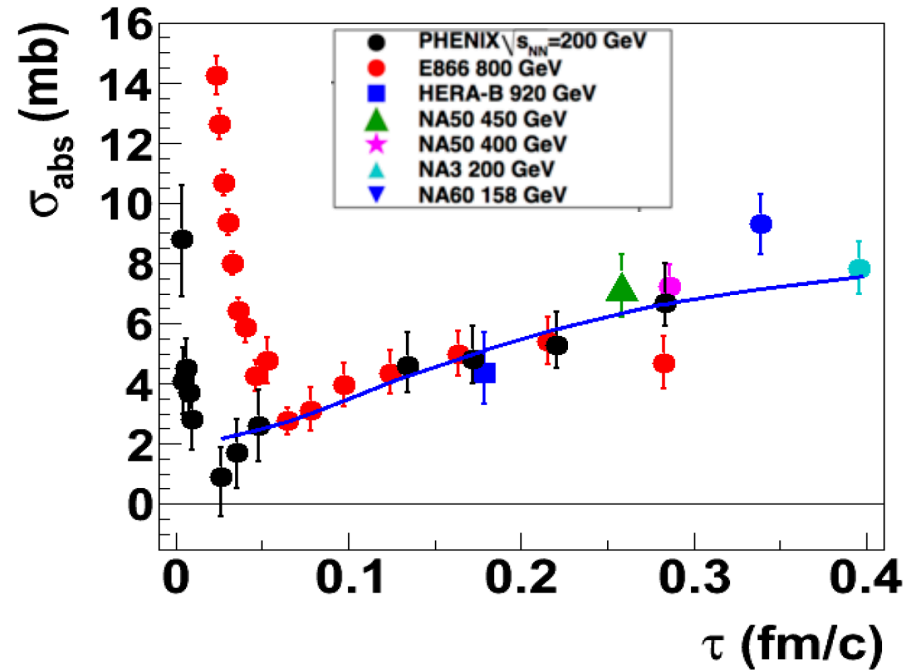
Stronger modification in central. $R_{dAu} \sim 1$ for peripheral collisions within uncertainties.

Calculations from Ferrerio et al. with two different PDFs shows a flat p_T dependence (without Cronin). Strong disagree in central collisions.

Systematic study of σ_{abs}

A very insightful shadowing corrected effective absorption cross-sections study:

- After cc formation, the precursor pair expands as it crosses nucleus.
- Nuclear crossing time τ , vary strongly with rapidity.
- A break-up only makes sense if on time scale larger than the cc formation time.
- A nice trend above $\tau > 0.05$ fm.
- $\tau < 0.05$ fm, break-up does not make sense – too short time. Some other physics involved.

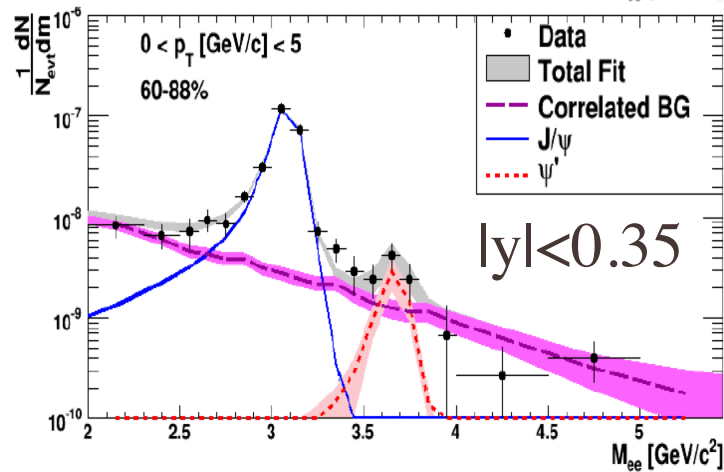
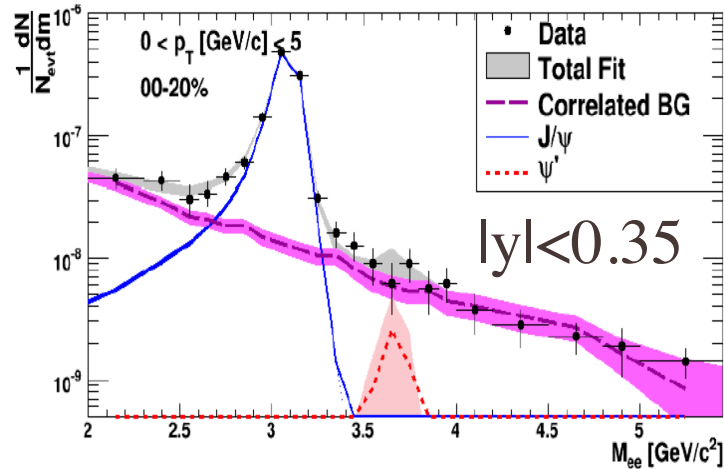


McGlinchey et al.
PRC87 (2013) 5, 054910

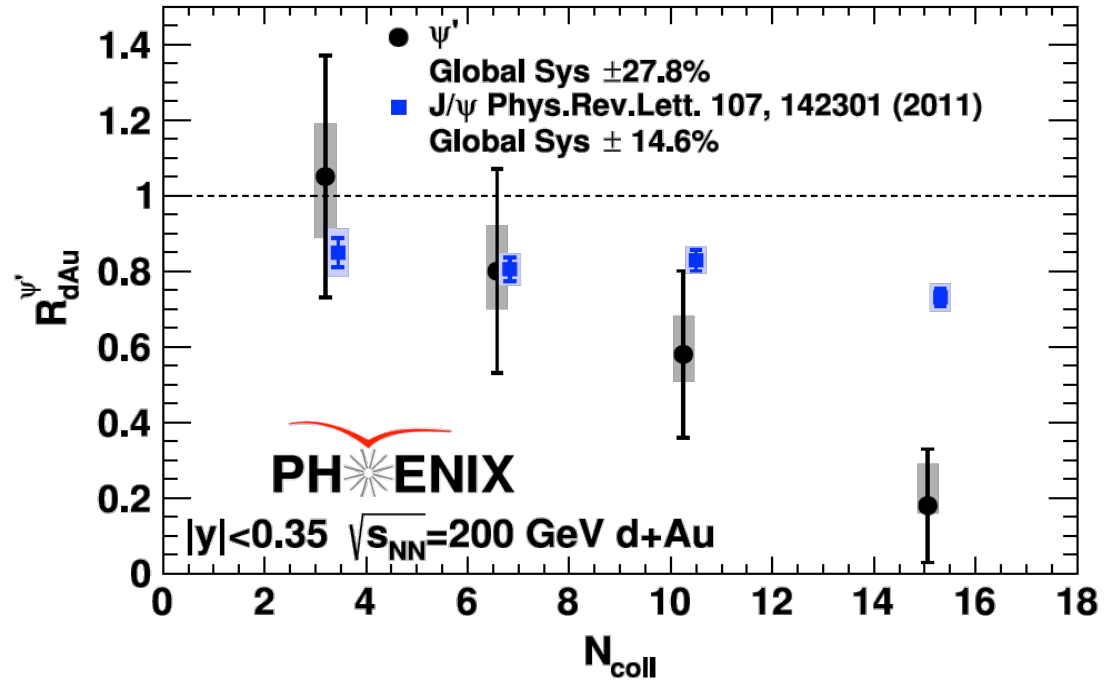
Caveat:

Shadowing and σ_{abs} are only considered.

$\psi' R_{dAu}$



PRL 111, 202301 (2013)

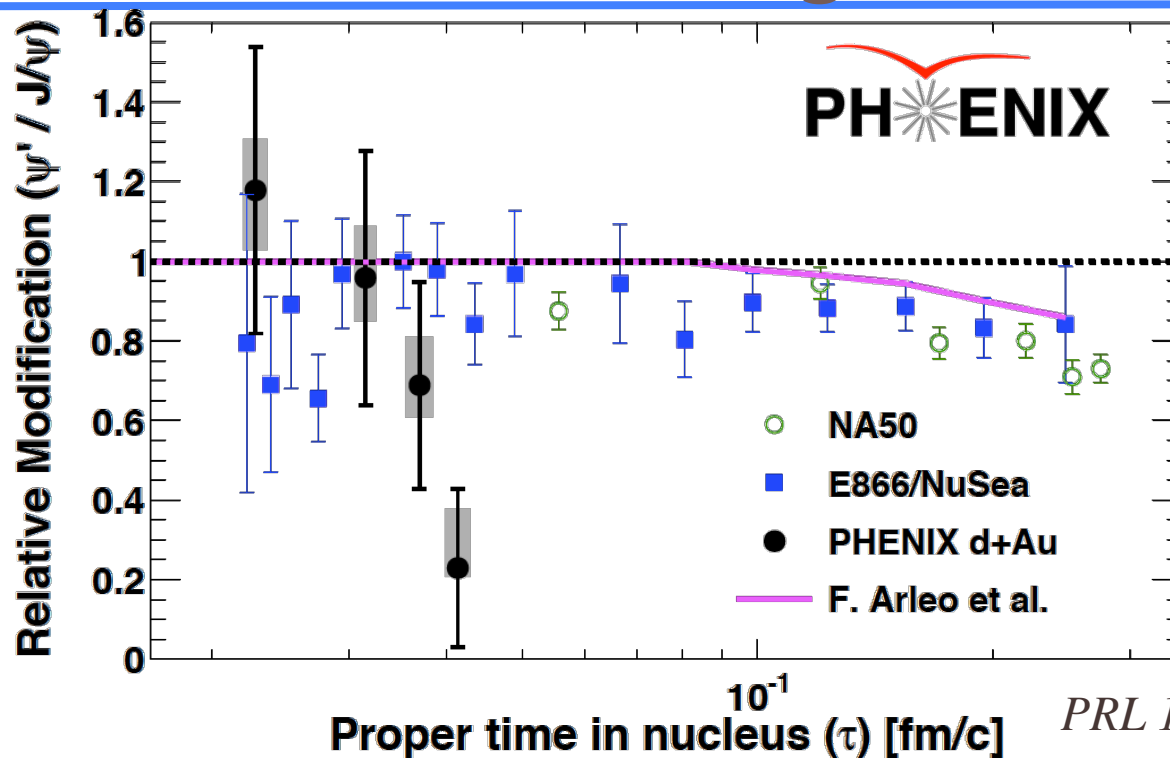


$$R_{dAu}^{\psi'} = \frac{[\psi'/(J/\psi)]^{dAu}}{[\psi'/(J/\psi)]^{pp}} R_{dAu}^{J/\psi},$$

Strong suppression of ψ' with increasing N_{coll} at the mid-rapidity.

Very unexpected results!!

Nuclear crossing time



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After $c\bar{c}$ formation, the pair expands as it crosses nucleus. Break-up makes sense **ONLY** on time scales larger than charm pair formation time.

Formation time ~ 0.15 fm

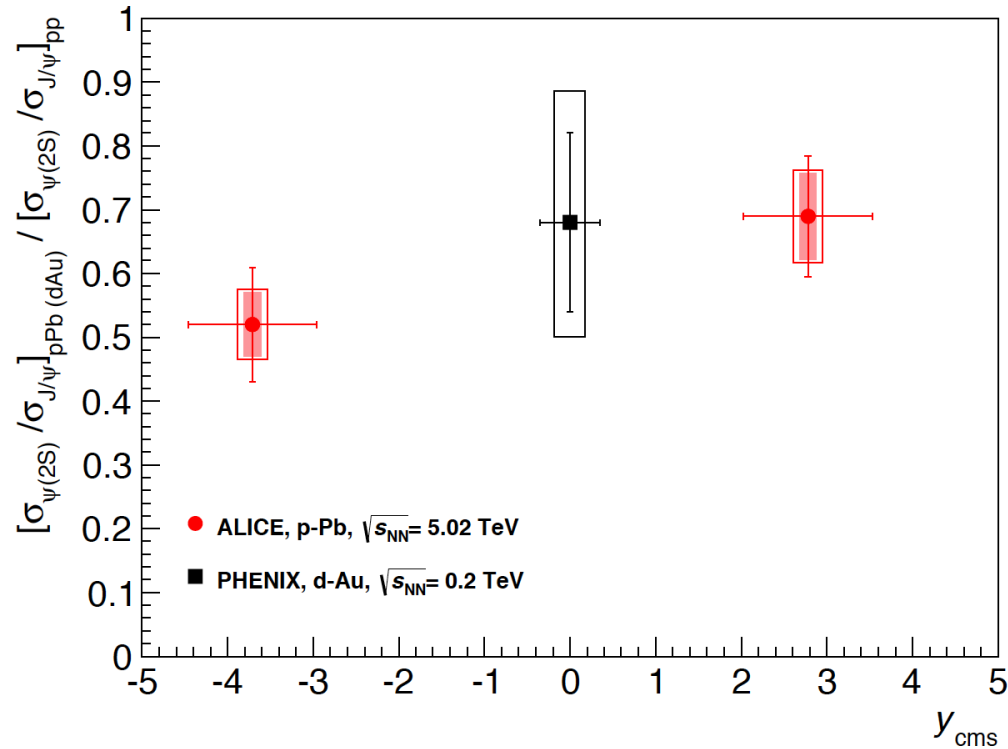
Nuclear crossing time ~ 0.05 fm at RHIC at midrapidity

Precursor crosses nucleus before final state forms! $\psi' / J/\psi$ ratio should be ~ 1

Suppression outside the nucleus?

Small QGP? Or co-movers?

Confirmed by LHC



Similar affect seen at ALICE experiment.

Even a smaller nuclear crossing time at LHC.

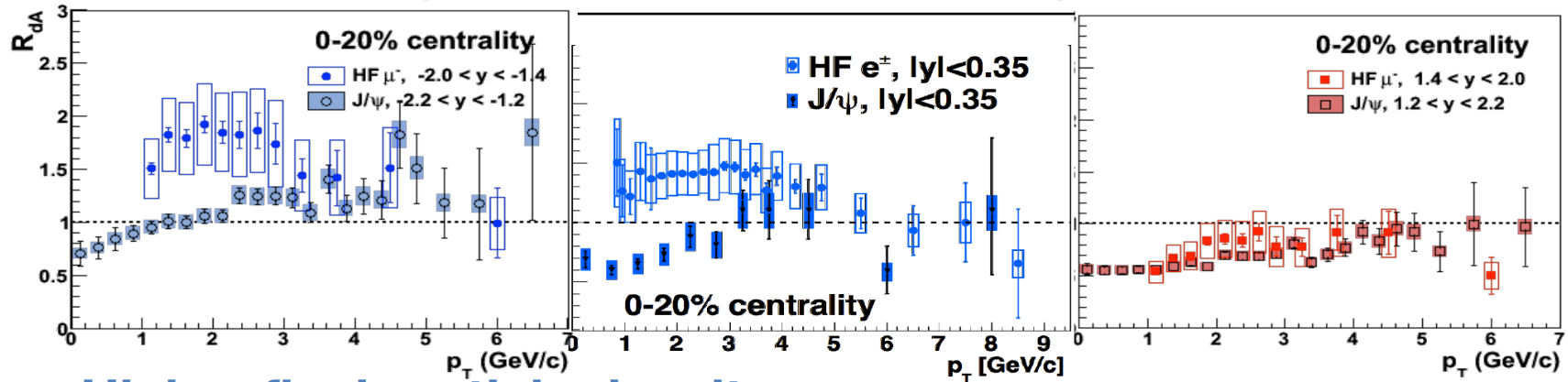
arXiv:1405.3796

Hot matter effects in $p(d)+A$

- Strong evidence of collective behavior in $p(d)+A$ collisions both from RHIC and LHC.
- Looks like hydrodynamic expansion of a small hot-spot.
- Does it effect hard probes?

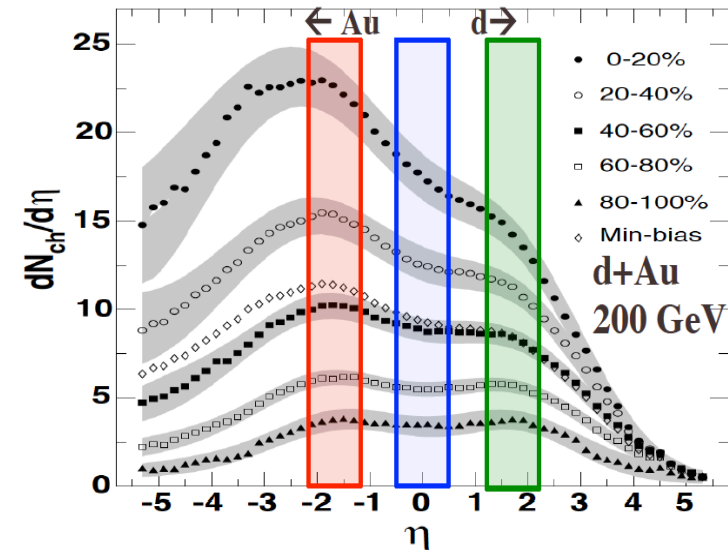
Sanity check: Open vs closed charm

arXiv:1310.1005, Phys.Rev.Lett. 109 (2012) 24, 242301, Phys.Rev. C87 (2013) 3, 034904



← Higher final particle density

→ Probing lower-x gluons in Au

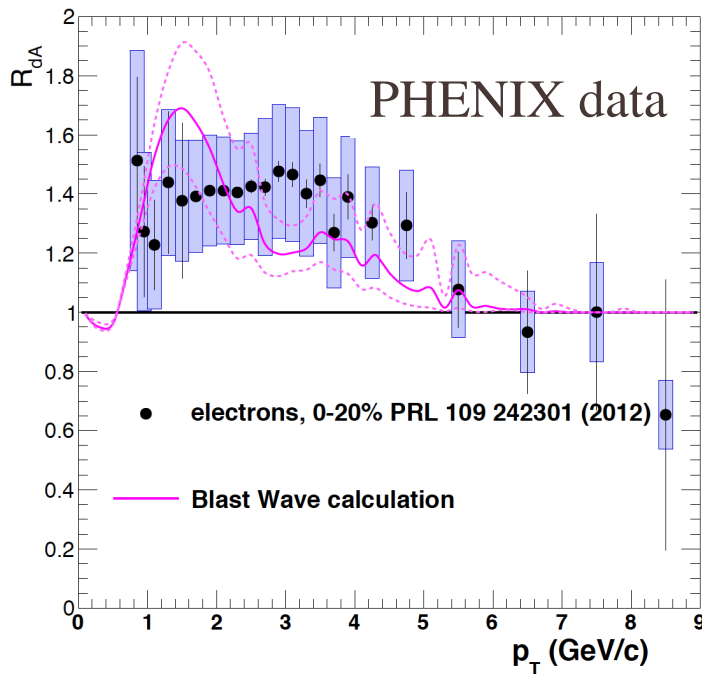


Caveat: Different kinematics

Same gluon-shadowing, energy loss and Cronin.
A significant J/ψ break-up at backward rapidity.

..But.. HF enhancement at backward and mid rapidity are due to final state interaction?

Hydrodynamic behavior?



A. Sickles
Phys.Lett. B 731 (2014) 51-56

Possible radial flow?

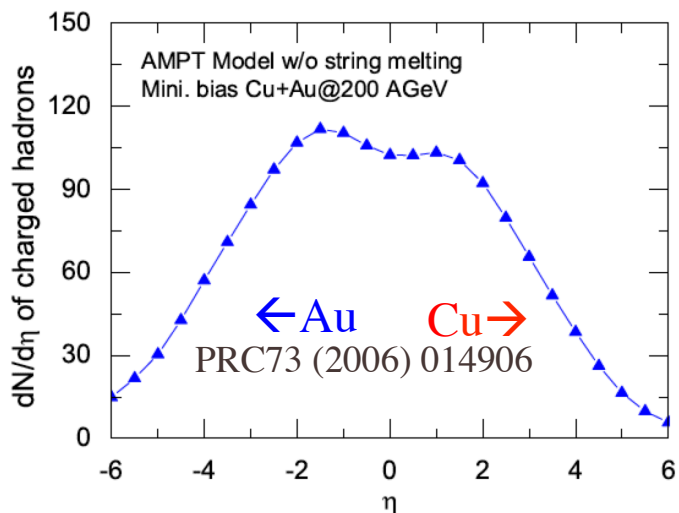
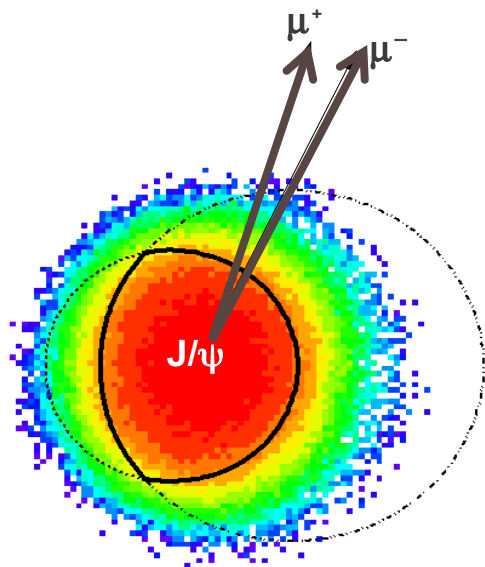
Still a open question: p(d)+A collisions produce mini-QGP?

If its true, how does that feed back to our understanding of A+A collisions?

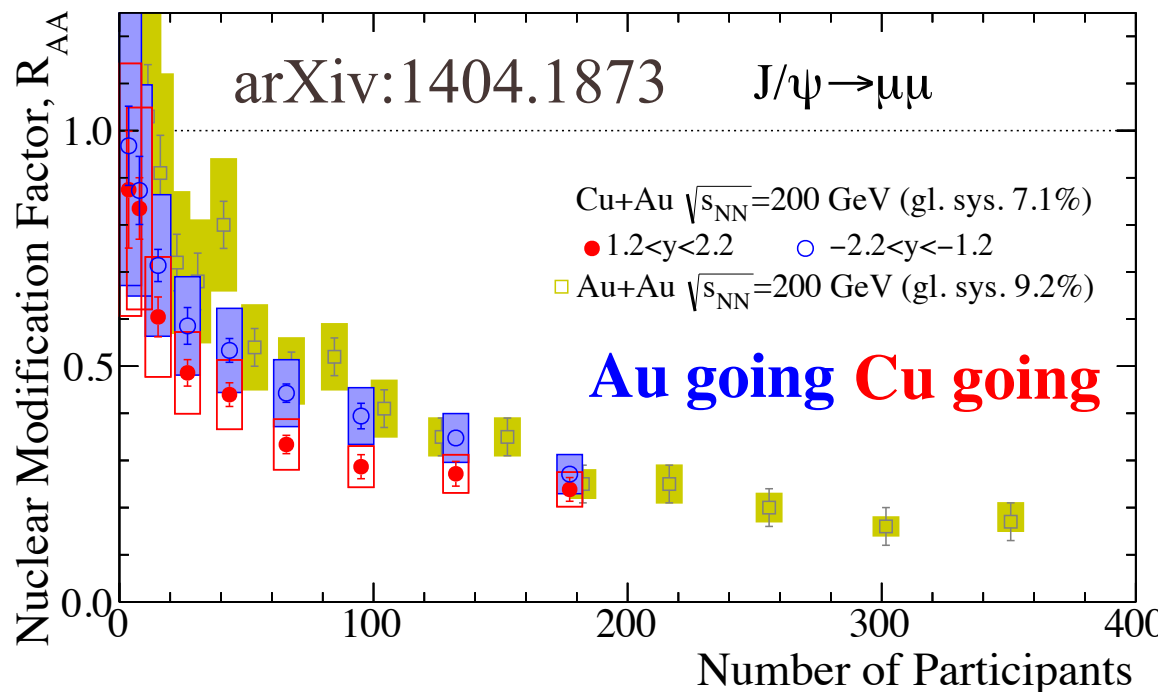
Lots of interesting results coming out of LHC and RHIC. Moving forward to a broader understanding.

Cu+Au (new geometry)
Interplay between hot and cold nuclear
matter effects

Cu+Au (new Geometry)



Asymmetric nuclear effects

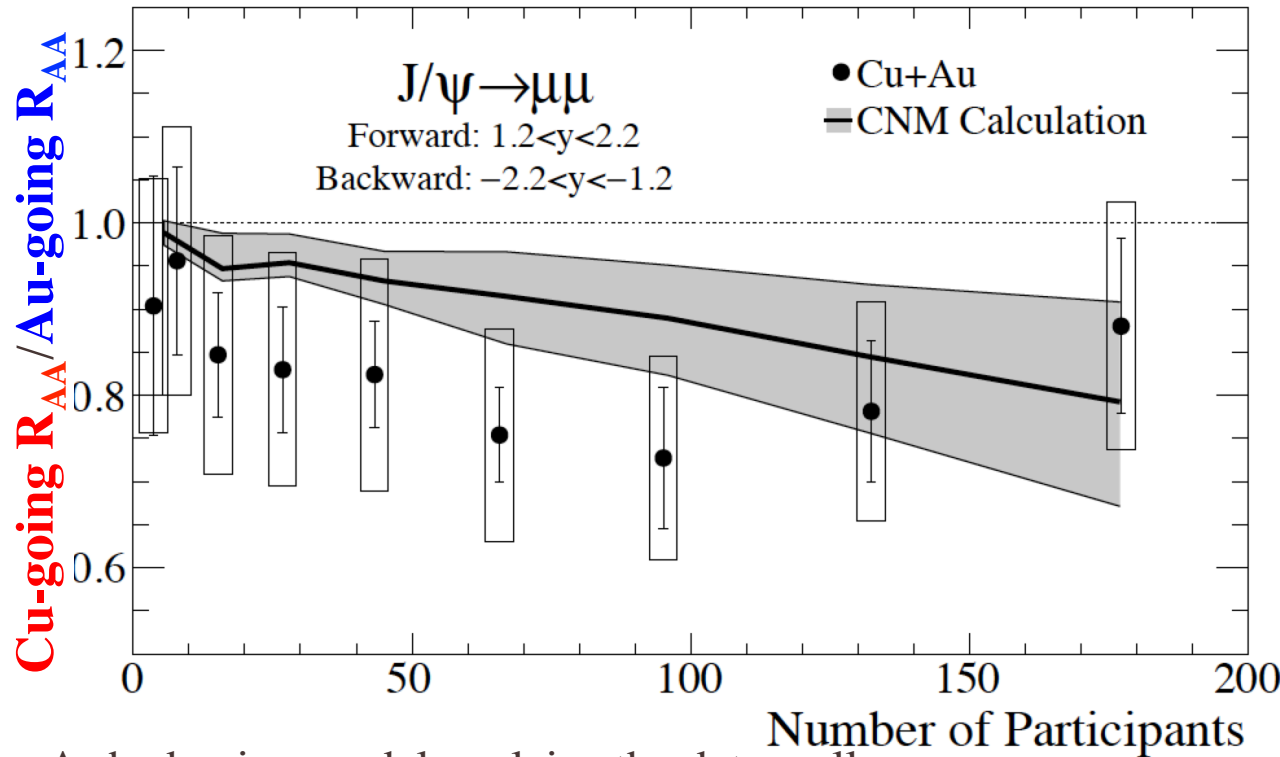


Higher suppression in region of lower particle density. Similar to d+Au collisions.

Hot nuclear matter effect would have effected the other way.

Cu-going-side/Au-going-side

arXiv:1404.1873



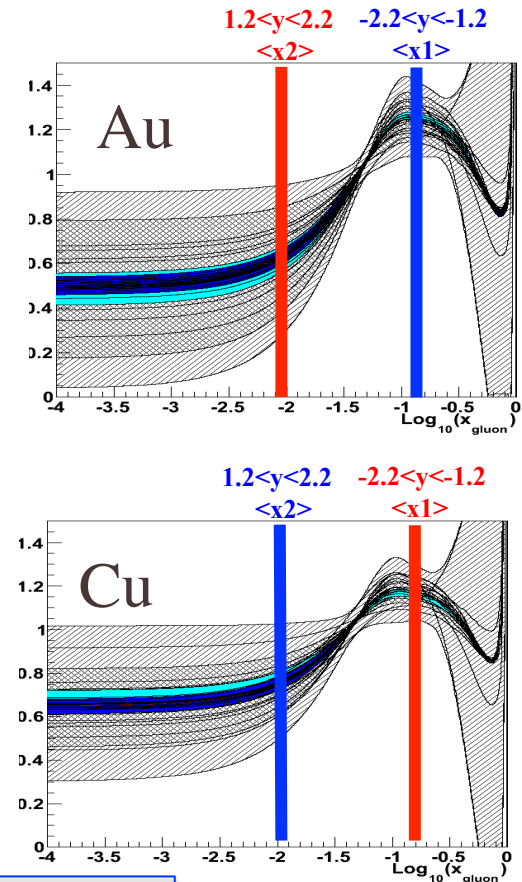
A shadowing model explains the data well

Au-going direction :

low-x partons in Cu nucleus * high-x partons in Au nucleus

Cu-going direction:

low-x partons in Au nucleus * high-x partons in the Cu nucleus



Future of quarkonia at PHENIX

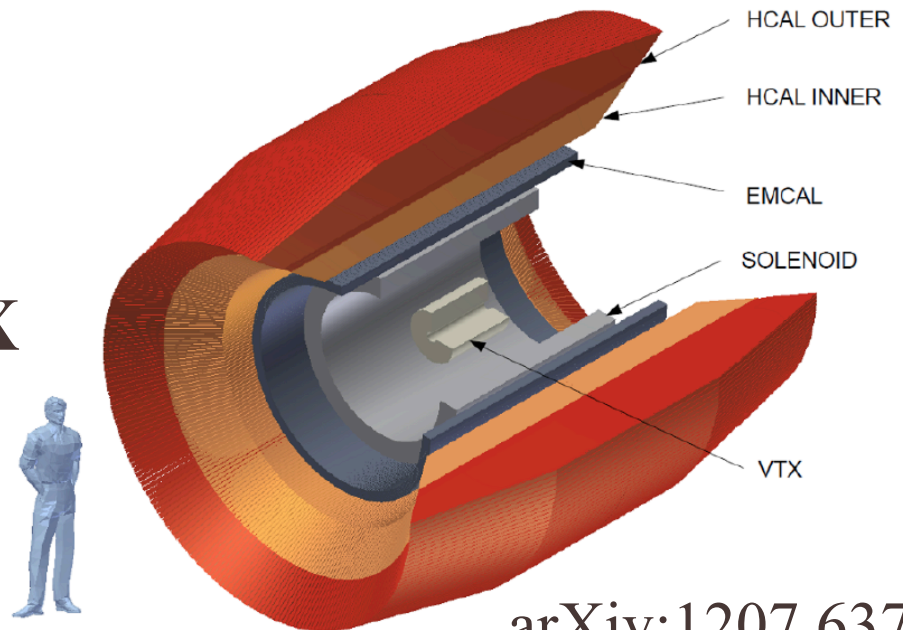
Today is special: Start of He3+Au run at RHIC

Coming soon in 2015

p+Si, p+Cu and p+Au at RHIC

Saga continues..

Long term plan: sPHENIX



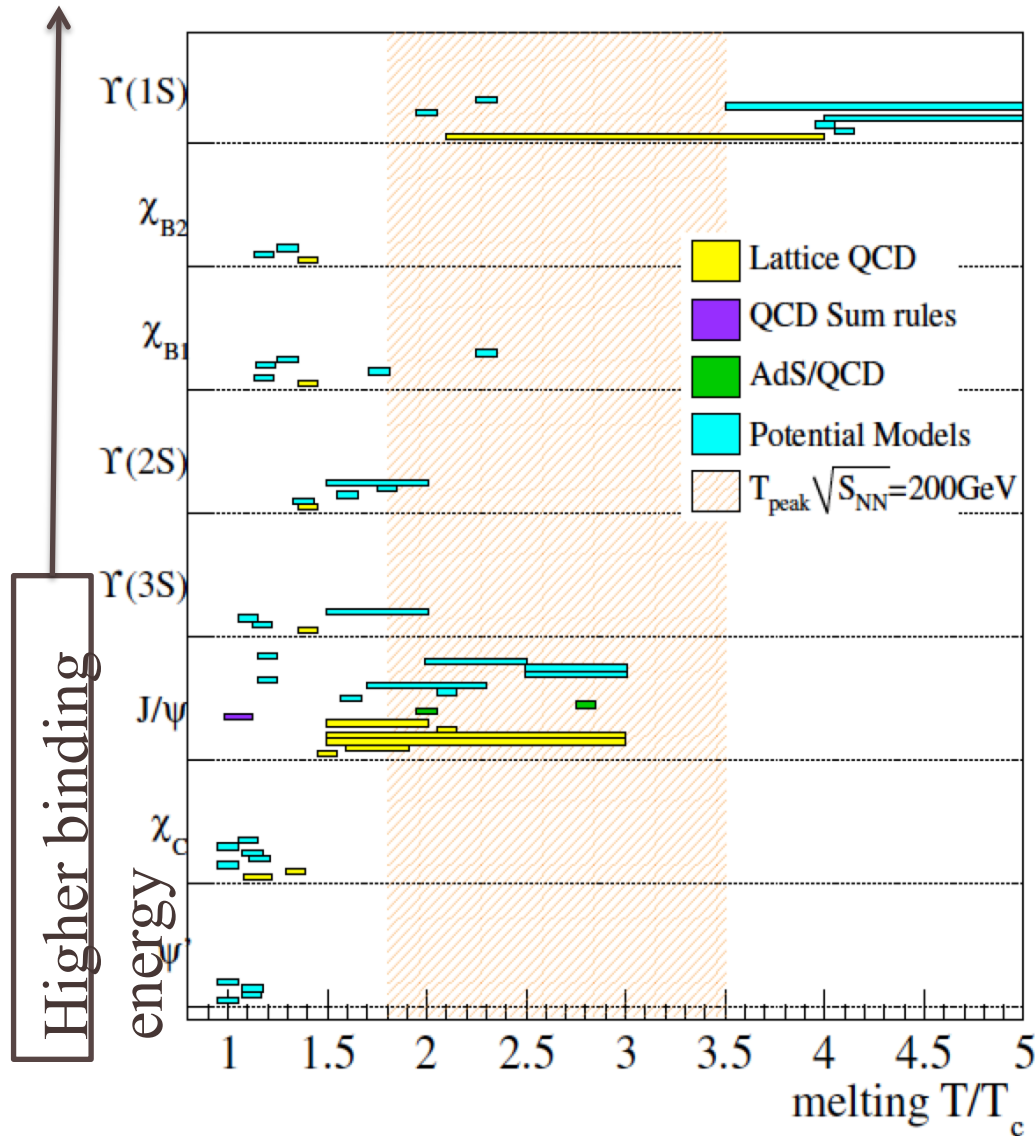
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Summary

- ❖ PHENIX measured quarkonia in a wide range of kinematic ranges in d+Au and Cu+Au collisions to understand CNM effects.
- ❖ CNM effects at forward and backward rapidity reflects different mechanisms, depending on nuclear crossing time.
- ❖ The magnitude and trend of $\psi(2s)$ suppression in nuclear collisions is quite different from J/ψ . Nuclear crossing time does not explain the data.
- ❖ In Cu+Au collision, the Cu going side is more suppressed than Au going side due to CNM effects, sensitive to the low x of the Au nuclei.
- ❖ New dataset in near future: He3+Au, p+Si, p+Cu and p+Au will shed more light on CNM effects.

❖ BACK-UPS

Hot Medium effects



Matsui & Satz
PLB 178,

$$\lambda_D(T) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{9\pi\alpha_{\text{eff}}}} \frac{1}{T}$$

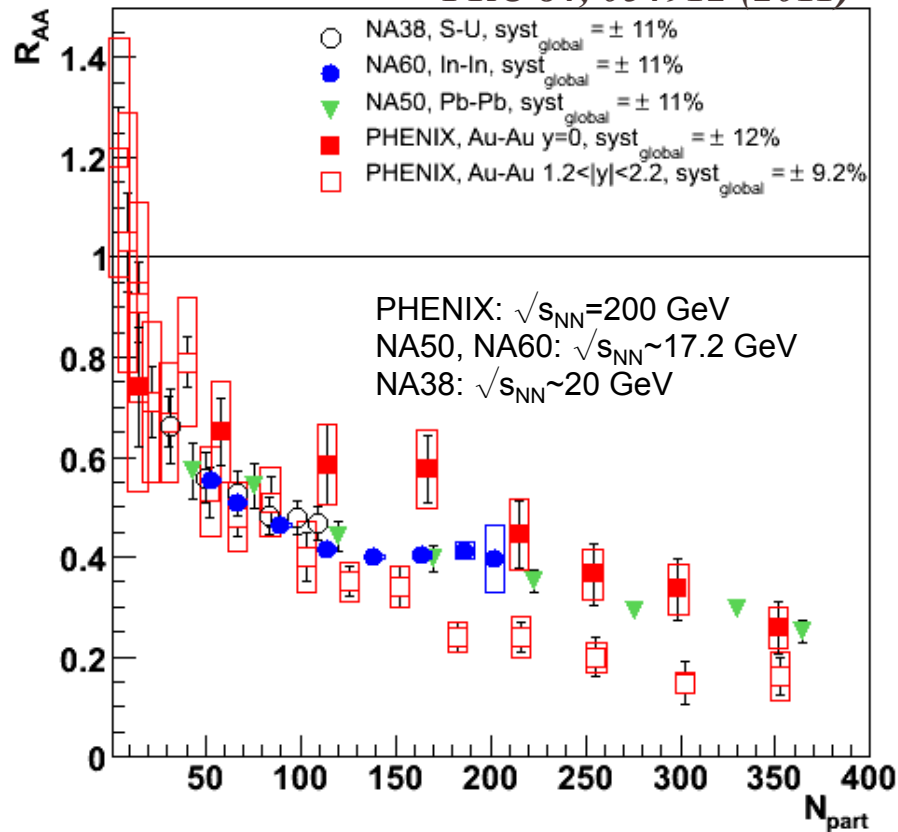
Different states have
different binding energies.

Loosely bound states melt
first!

Sequential suppression of
individual states provides a
“**thermometer**” of the QGP

$J/\psi R_{AA}$ in $A+A$ collisions

PRC 84, 054912 (2011)



An overview of R_{AA} measurements from 17-200 GeV

A admixture of hot and cold nuclear effects which depends strongly on energy and rapidity.

NOT very instructive about the energy dependence pattern

Absorption energy dependence

- Usual parameterisation:
(Glauber model)

$$S_{\text{abs}} = \exp(-\rho \sigma_{\text{abs}} L)$$

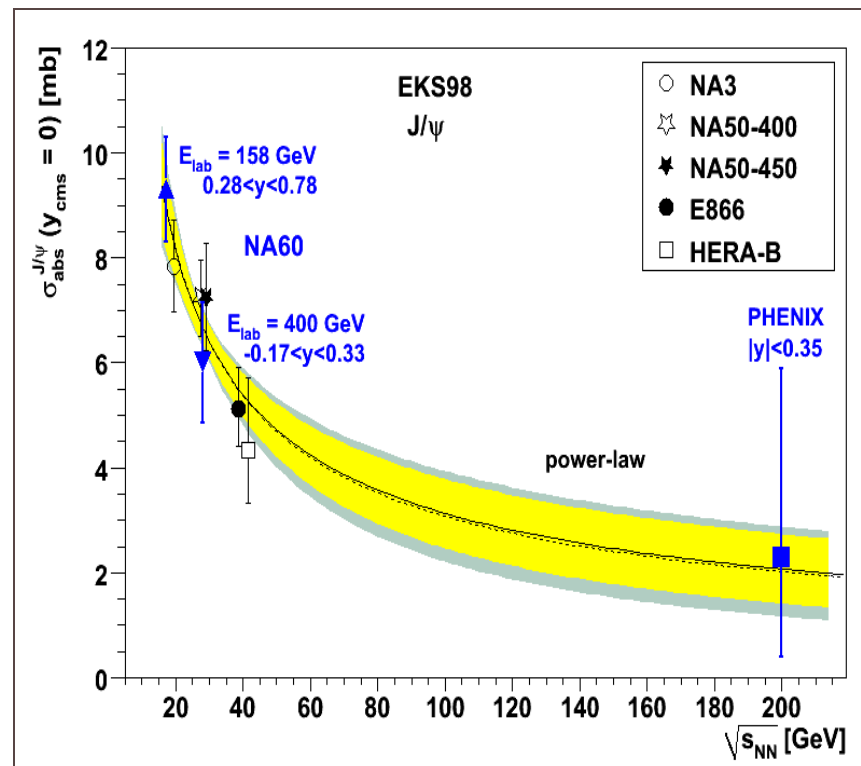
break-up cross section

Energy dependence

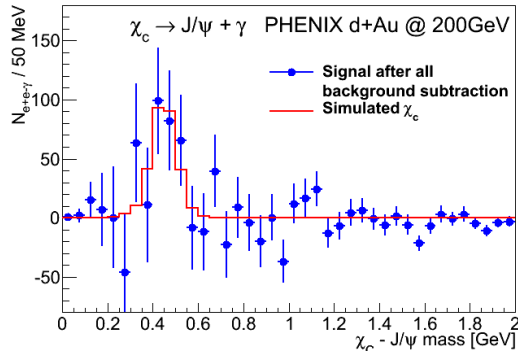
- **At low energy:** the heavy system undergoes successive interactions with nucleons in its path and has to survive all of them => **Strong nuclear absorption**
- **At high energy:** the coherence length is large and the projectile interacts with the nucleus as a whole => **Smaller nuclear absorption**

A systematic analysis at $y \sim 0$ using EKS98 + σ_{abs} showed a clear **collision energy dependence** of σ_{abs} .

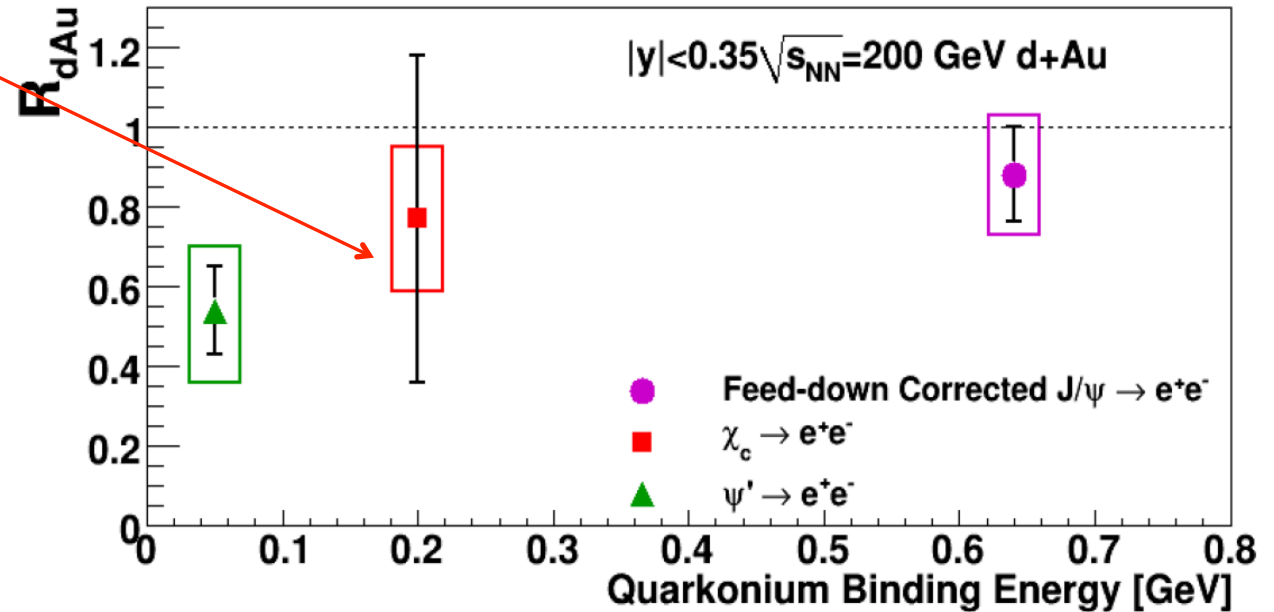
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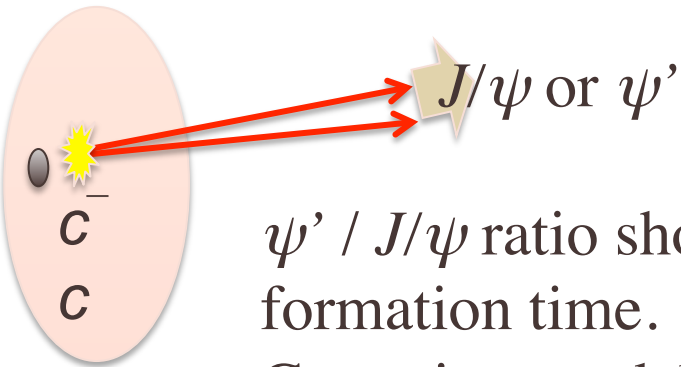
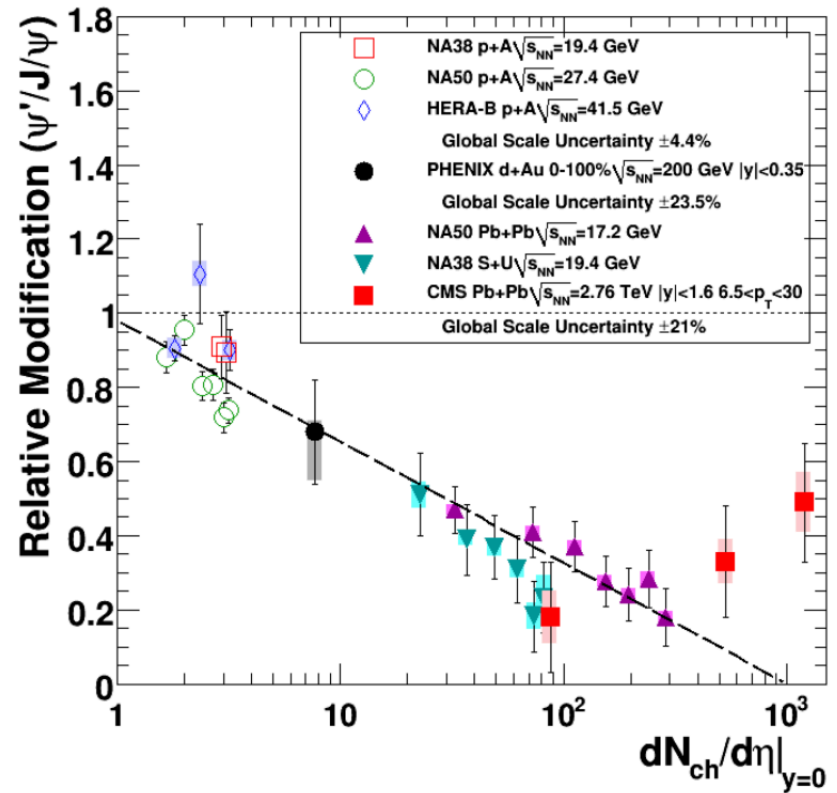
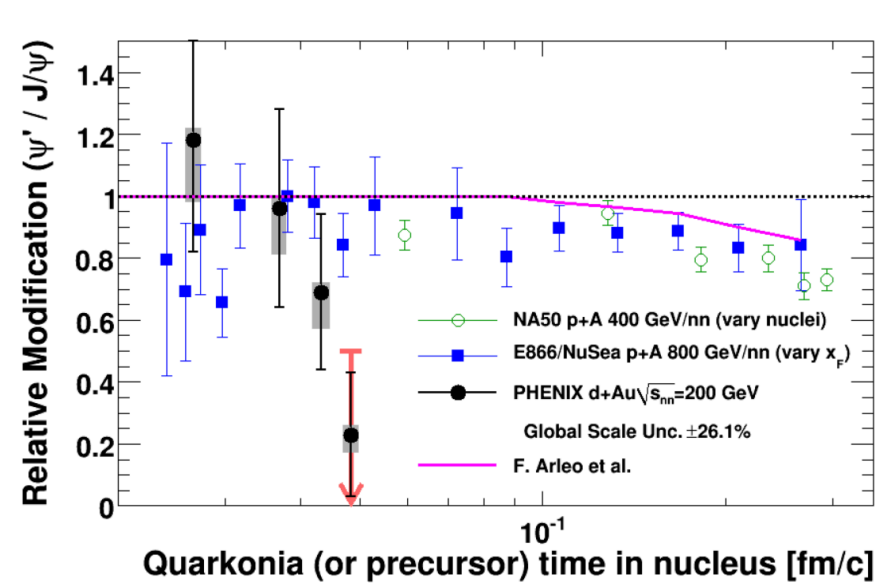
χ_c in $d+Au$



Charmonium R_{dAu} seems to depend on binding energy.
Better χ_c measurement is needed though.



Nuclear crossing time



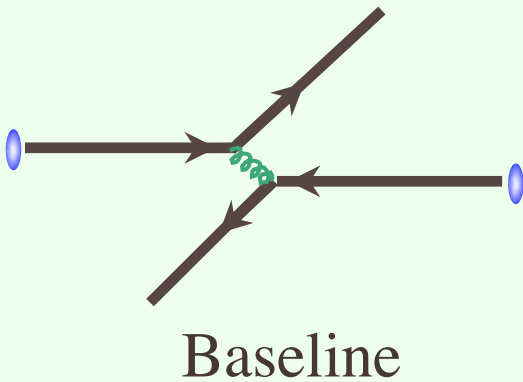
Curve is a model calculation based on NA50 and E866 data. The relative modification scales well with charged particle multiplicity.

-New PHENIX data is completely at odds with this

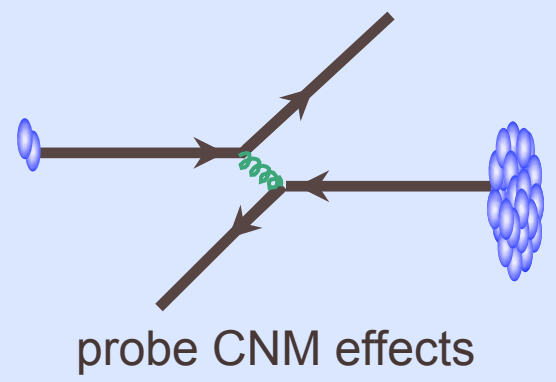
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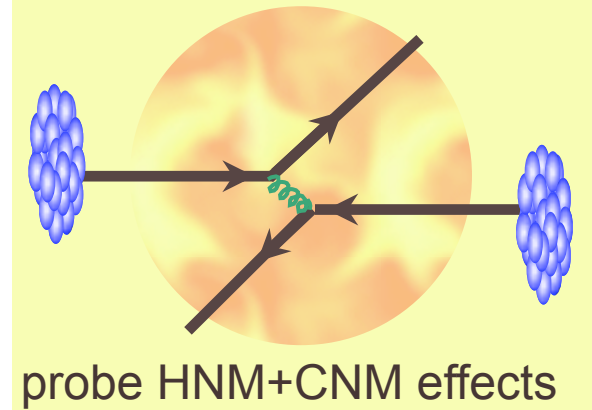
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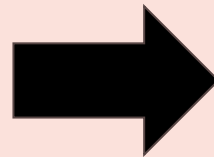


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